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Identical letters dated 19 October 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I write to inform you of an alarming development regarding Iran's recent ballistic missile launch.

Official Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) sources have taken responsibility for the firing of medium-range ballistic missiles from western Iran towards targets in eastern Syria on 1 October 2018. According to several media sources, at least four Zulfikar-type missiles, and at least one Qiam 1-type missile, both with a range of 700 kilometres, were launched.

Iranian news agencies have made public all available information concerning this troubling event, including footage of the inscriptions written on the side of the missiles that clearly target and threaten Israel.

Iran's recent launch did not occur in a vacuum; it is part of the regime's rogue behaviour throughout the Middle East, including its missile proliferation, repeated missile launches and threatening statements on behalf of IRGC commanders.

Based on our understanding, the Iranian missiles that were fired crossed the Annex B threshold, as described in Security Council resolution 2231 (2015). I call upon the Security Council to condemn Iran's threatening activity immediately and unequivocally.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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